Report against Mr. Gopalakrishna Aiyar, Assistant Professor of English, Science College.

270. **MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state what has become of the report submitted by the Director of Public Instruction about certain cases against Mr. G. Gopalakrishna Aiyar, M. A., Assistant Professor of English, His Highness the Maha Raja's College of Science, and what action the Government have taken in the matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The report is under the consideration of the Government.

Wireless equipment for the Observatory.

271. **MR V. J. OOMMEN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they purchased wireless materials at the instance of the Astronomer, Dr. H. Subrahmanya Aiyar, of the Observatory;

(*b*) the cost of the articles purchased;

(*c*) whether the articles were purchased from Dr. H. P. Waren of the Presidency College, Madras, and, if not, the name of the firm from whom these were purchased;

(*d*) whether the voucher furnished in the first instance was from Dr. Waren;

(*e*) whether the Account Office required a proper voucher from some firms dealing in those materials;

(*f*) whether they are convinced that the materials purchased are fresh from the manufacturers;

(*g*) whether they obtained quotations from different manufacturers before these materials were actually purchased, and, if not, why;

(*h*) if they will enquire whether the same sort of materials were purchased for the Science College and whether prices and qualities are the same;

(*i*) whether they will lay on the table all papers connected with the purchase of wireless materials for the Observatory;

(*j*) whether the Astronomer, Dr. H. Subrahmanya Aiyar, has recommended to the Government the purchase of a few copies of a book published by Dr. H. P. Waren;

(*k*) whether these books have been ordered or purchased;

(*l*) how many copies have been purchased; and

(*m*) the need for purchasing more copies than one or two?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The cost of one Universal Wireless Receiving Set, covering wave-lengths 20-30000 meters specially made to the specifications of Dr. Paramesvaran for time-signal work, complete with valves, etc., in blackwood cabinet, supplied by the General Service Company, Egmore, is Rs. 500.

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